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Dedication

We, the Senior Class of 1945, having come to the end of our high school days, dedicate this 1945 Echo to the faculty of the St. John Township High School. They, by their friendly efforts, have made these days not only the most valuable, but also the most memorable in our experience.

Faculty

Seated:

BEULAH HUSTED
Business Subjects

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Commercial Subjects

CARLES G. HUNT
Principal

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Latin—English

YVONNE FIRME
Music

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First Grade

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Second Grade

C. G. HUNT
Principal

FLORENCE W. HUNT
Third Grade

MARGARET LASH
Fourth Grade

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Seventh Grade

BERNICE M. WILKENING
Fourth Grade

RUBY A. SMALLWOOD
Eighth Grade

AGNES C. KAHLER
Fifth Grade

DOROTHY SCHALLER
Second Grade

CLARA HOFMANN
First Grade

ALMA M. GETTLER
Sixth Grade

Seniors

ALYCE BOECKER
Junior Queen
Commercial Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Echo Staff
Softball

GEORGE BOERSMA
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Bond Committee

ARTHUR BROPHY
Junior President
Basketball
Baseball
Lettermen's Club
Journalism Club
Sweaterman
Comet Staff
Echo Staff

MILDRED BUSSE
Transferred from
Crown Point 3
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Softball
Basketball
Cheerleader

VIRGINIA CARAHOFF
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Banquet Committee

JACK CRAWFORD
Junior Vice-President
Senior Treasurer
Lettermen's Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Stage Crew

CLARENCE CRONER
Commercial Club

FRANCIS DEWES
Echo Staff

EVELYN DRANGMEISTER
Commercial Club

DOLORES DUMBSKY
Commercial Club
Basketball
Echo Staff

RONALD DUMBSKY
Senior Vice-President
Student Council
Journalism Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Stage Crew

BILL ELLISON
Sophomore Vice-President
Senior King
Basketball
Lettermen's Club President
Sweaterman
Echo Staff

EUGENE FARRENKOPF
Band
Vice-President of
Band Club

JIM FRENTRESS
Band
Commercial Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff

VIVIAN FUGATE
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Basketball
Softball

FRANK GARD
Band
President of Band Club
Bond Committee
Commercial Club
Journalism Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff

JOE GENARDO
Golf
Lettermen's Club
Sweaterman

THELMA GETTLER
Senior Queen
Cheerleader
Journalism Club
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Basketball
Softball

ROBERT HAGGE
Golf
Lettermen's Club
Sweaterman
Commercial Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Stage Crew

THERESE HALFMAN
Journalism Club
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Basketball
Softball
Glee Club

THOMAS HILBRICH
Freshman Class President
Sophomore Class President
Lettermen's Club
Vice-President
Basketball
Baseball
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Journalism Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Stage Crew

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Banquet Committee
Commercial Club
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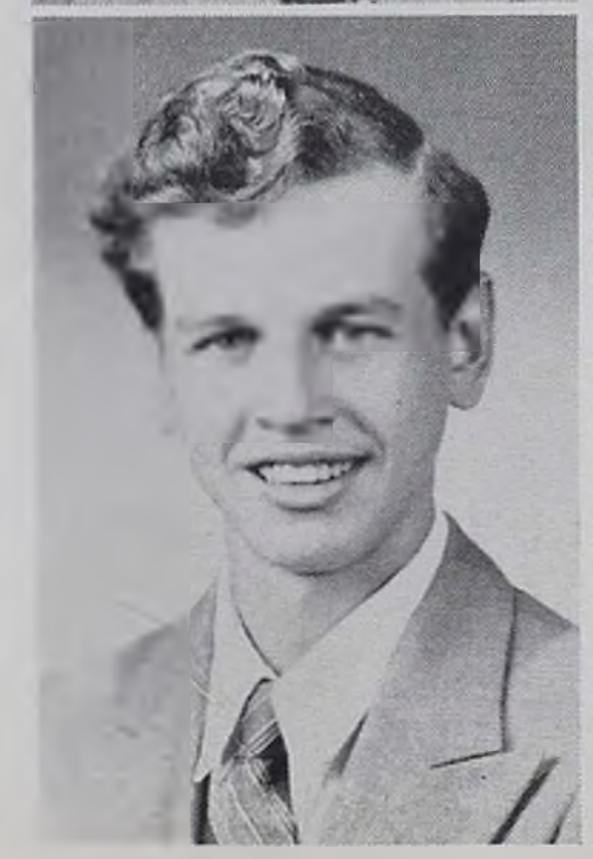


LORRAINE HOFFMAN
Commercial Club
Softball
Glee Club

GENEVIEVE HOLOM
Journalism Club
Commercial Club
Comet Staff
Basketball
Softball

ROBERT JONES
Junior Class
Treasurer
Band

DONALD KEILMAN
Lettermen's Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Stage Crew

JOAN KWIATKOWSKI
Commercial Club
Basketball
Softball

NORMAN LITTLE
Sophomore Class
Secretary
Sophomore King
Basketball
Baseball
Lettermen's Club
Sweaterman
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Echo Staff
Stage Crew

RICHARD MITERKO
Basketball
Commercial Club

RAYMOND PINERSKI
Basketball
Lettermen's Club
Commercial Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff

ANNA POPA
Commercial Club
Basketball
Softball

MARY POPA
Commercial Club
Basketball
Softball

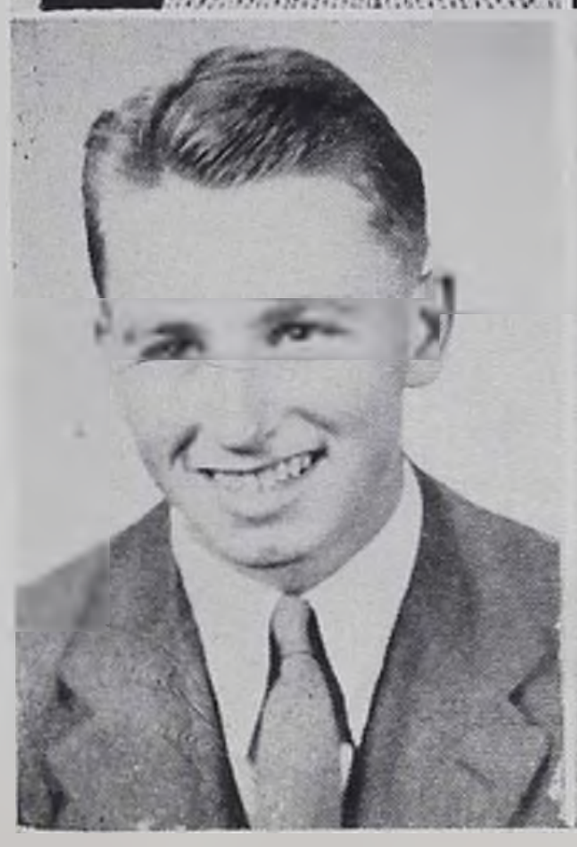
DORIS REIPLINGER
Commercial Club
Basketball
Softball

JOSEPH SARBON
Comet Staff
Echo Staff
Journalism Club
Basketball Mgr.
Stage Crew

EDITH SCHAAFSMA
Commercial Club
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Basketball

HELEN SCHOBEL
Commercial Club

VIRGINIA SCHOENBECK
Commercial Club



NED SMITH
Basketball
Baseball
Stage Crew
Lettermen's Club
Swealerman
Comet Staff
Journalism Club

THOMAS SMITH
Comet Staff
Journalism Club
Sweaterman
Lettermen's Club
Stage Crew

DONALD STARK
Journalism Club
Comet Staff
Glee Club

RITA THIEL
Commercial Club
Basketball
Softball

LILLIAN THIERY
Student Council
Junior Class
Secretary
Journalism Club
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Basketball
Softball

KENNETH THROG-
MORTON
Senior Class President
Journalism Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Glee Club
Stage Crew

ELLEN UPCHURCH
Journalism Club
Commercial Club
Echo Staff
Comet Staff
Basketball
Softball

CLASS MOTTO

THROUGH
DIFFICULTIES,
TO
HONOR

CLASS FLOWER

NEW
TIMES
ROSE

CLASS COLORS

ROYAL BLUE
&
WHITE

SENIOR HISTORY

On September 2, 1941, we, seventy-five, bewildered Freshmen, entered the portals of Dyer High.

After a week of kicking our way through the halls, Mr. Protsman thought we were in grave need of a sponsor, so he volunteered. In our first class meeting we elected officers. They were Tom Hilbrich, president; Clifford Trueblood, vice-president; Lula Heath, secretary; and Lola Dean Troup, treasurer. We also chose the New Times Rose as our class flower, "Through difficulties to honor" as the motto, and Royal Blue and White, as our class colors.

We Freshies, like any one else, were always ready for entertainment and "food", (says Brophy) so we threw a party on October 30.

When basketball season opened the Freshmen boys formed a basketball team. Mr. Carnahan coached them to several victories.

On February 5th, we took an I. Q. test. We take it for granted that we were all geniuses. Other activities were the Plum Creek Revue in which the Freshies presented a Stunt Show and in the Spring Follies, a Quiz Program.

In the fall of 1942 this same group entered school again. This time we felt a little wiser, and with past experience elected officers: Tom Hilbrich, president; Bill Ellison, vice-president; Nick Little, secretary; and Bob Jones, treasurer. A few of the boys, being very original, enrolled in the Home Economics class and they can say they were the first boys to take that course—Mrs. Hoffman said they were the first and the last. The girls then went into the lime light by winning the softball championship. We were not just an angel class, so after the blow-out on October 28th, we were forbidden any more parties. Ask Joe Thiel why. On November 18th, the P. T. A. and Seniors presented a fashion show. If any of you gentlemen are looking for a wife, Mr. Protsman makes a beautiful blushing bride and Tom Hilbrich is a beauty in a play suit. We bought our class sweaters in our Sophomore year, so we strutted out the doors of D. H. S. for another vacation in our brilliant royal blue and white sweaters.

After three months of rest we re-entered school. We started out by electing these officers: Art Brophy, president; Jack Crawford, vice-president; Lillian Thiery, secretary; and Bob Jones, treasurer. Early in the fall the Seniors began saying "We want a banquet and Prom." Of course, we wanted to make it the best. Naturally, our first thought was money, and how to make it. A few of the money making schemes were a variety show, several dances, and the crowning of a tournament queen.

Our class won both the boys' and the girls' basketball championships. The Seniors had high hopes of winning, but their disappointment was all forgotten when the banquet at Teibels and the prom at the Gary Hotel were finally announced. It was the greatest achievement our class had attempted and we sincerely hope the Seniors of '44 enjoy looking back to these two nights. It isn't pleasant to think we have only one more year of school. Therefore, we Seniors wish to make it our best. Our officers for this year are: Kenneth Throgmorton, president; Ronald Dumbsky, vice-president; Joe Sarbon, secretary; and Jack Crawford, treasurer. We wanted to leave something for all to remember us by, so we have published this Echo. We hope it will please everyone.

SENIOR PERSONALITIES

MOST SUCCESTIC

MOST POPULAR

DYER

MOST DEVOTED

BEST DANCERS

MOST MUSICAL

BEST DRESSED

MOST ATHLETIC SENIORS

MOST ACTIVE

BEST LOOKING

Juniors

Although there was always an under-current of rivalry between the Junior and Senior classes, there was also more companionship than was to be seen among the other classes. However, this is not unusual in school life. The rivalry part results from the all-out effort of the older and supposedly wiser Seniors trying to remain at the top in sports and other extra-curricular activities. The good feature of this rivalry is that it never becomes so strong as to assume the utmost support in any activities about the school.

In parting, we Seniors know that the Class of 1946 will take over their duties with the same competence that they have shown during the three years we have been friends in St. John Township School.

Top row, left to right: E. Rasheta, D. Symborski, L. Rinkenberger, S. Redar, R. Kelly, P. Keilman, H. Miller, F. Thiel.

Middle row, left to right: M. Stolzenbach, P. Shinnich, J. Roberts, N. Keilman, B. Teibel, B. Phillips, G. Klein.

Bottom row, left to right: M. Sweet, D. Schiessle, C. Miller, W. Smallwood, B. Rose, W. Wallace, B. Schweitzer.

CLASS OFFICERS:
Richard Kelly,
President
Paul Keilman,
Vice-President
Delores Hauer,
Secretary
Shirley Dumbsky,
Treasurer
CLASS MOTTO:
A sure mind is a steady mind
CLASS FLOWER:
Gardenia
CLASS COLORS:
Red and White

Top row, left to right: R. Clarke, C. Burton, R. Gallas, R. Hill, W. Gard, G. Hovey, W. Hilbrich, W. Anderson, W. Hoernig.

Middle row, left to right: L. Craven, M. Dumbsky, R. Bohney, O. Franzle, E. Dykstra, M. Davis, D. Hauer, M. Askins, S. Dumbsky.

Bottom row, left to right: B. Jewett, R. Funk, A. Dahlke, W. Smallwood, D. Fagen, B. Hilbrich, L. Keilman.

Prophecy

Sophomores

When the Class of '47 first made their appearance in D. H. S. we thought something was bound to happen and our experience told us to look for the worse. However, that year passed, although it was punctuated by frequent skirmishes and visits in the principal's office. When the present school year began, this class seemed determined to make good and prove that they had some hardy stuff in them. They out-shone all other classes in spirit and loyalty to the school. They also took part in many activities, both scholastic as well as exra-curricular. All in all, this group has earned a place among the other classes of Dyer High School.

CLASS OFFICERS:

Robert Parker,
President

Glen Eberley,
Vice-President

Betty Weaverling,
Secretary

William Howard,
Treasurer

CLASS MOTTO:
"Don't try dying, die trying"

CLASS FLOWER:
White Camillia

CLASS COLORS:
Purple and White

Top row, left to right: G. Austgen, O. Clarke, S. Deyoung, D. Heacock, G. Hanson, E. Dewes, A. Davenport, W. Howard, G. Eberly, H. Boyle.

Second row, left to right: T. Cullem, D. Douthett, P. Dreischerf, D. Held, E. Brys, P. Hilbrich, M. A. Horton, P. Gettler, D. Crawford, V. Dewes, H. Hazelette.

Bottom row, left to right: W. Brown, P. Hagge, R. Booth, A. Bickham, M. Britton, Miss R. Pierce, V. Hovey, M. Darnell, B. East, S. Gordon, M. Genardo.

Top row, left to right: J. Schiesser, V. Schulte, D. Voich, B. Weaverling, J. Jewett, V. Miterko, M. Stolzenbach, R. Parker, C. Quaife, R. Mantel.

Second row, left to right: E. Schmidt, J. Rauh, J. Maginot, R. Walden, P. Popa, V. Keilman, R. Phillips, M. Sanford, R. Wachter, G. Nyehart, J. Specht.

Bottom row, left to right: L. Seward, W. Manter, B. James, J. Schmall, M. Kuhn, R. Miller, Miss R. Pierce, S. Upchurch, A. Russnogle, D. Marshall, J. Richardson, R. Rashela, I. Wood, W. Reed, E. Tice.

Freshman

As you know, the Freshman classes have always been known to act foolish until they have become accustomed to high school life. Realizing this fact, we were not disappointed to see these eighty-six greenies coming to school and doing all sorts of strange acts. Instead we accepted them good-naturedly. We even tried to help them out, even though to do this would detract from our dignity as Seniors. However, we realize that we too came to D. H. S. one fall day with the same problems, and much to our own surprise, we later became the Seniors, even as we know this year's Freshmen will, eventually.

CLASS OFFICERS:

Billy James,
President
Eugene Little,
Vice-President
Norma Stark,
Secretary
Robert Miller,
Treasurer

CLASS MOTTO:
"Dim but Growing
Brighter"

CLASS FLOWER:
White Carnation

CLASS COLORS:
Green and White

Top row, left to right: K. Darnell, D. Bell, T. Haas, T. Boecker, E. Burke, J. Grunewald, R. Delp, P. Bohney.

Second row, left to right: P. Hanft, B. Dumbsky, J. Hauer, S. Ashcraft, V. Dinges, E. Britton, N. Dunkelberger, S. Earl.

Bottom row, left to right: C. Boyll, M. Gabor, M. Fox, R. Govert, Miss Hruskovich, M. Craven, J. Brys, S. Boyer, T. Ban.

Top row, left to right: A. Roberts, A. Ramsey, J. Turpin, J. Rosinko, E. Richardson, M. Voich, J. Sedlak, C. Vaughn, G. Ross.

Middle row, left to right: J. Thompson, R. Seeberger, K. Spanier, N. Stark, L. Willis, J. Schreiber, R. Raab, R. Schoenbeck, V. Schweitzer,

Bottom row, left to right: E. Vaughn, C. Smith, M. Sandefur, P. Schinnick. B. Hruskovich, P. Smith, R. Schelfo, P. Schiessle, G. Schaafsma.

Top row, left to right: H. Olson, J. Kuiper, J. Metro, E. Little, J. Nolan, R. Keller, F. Paulauski, R. Miller.

Middle row, left to right: A. Putrus, H. Little, V. Kwiatkowski, B. Jostes, E. Matz, O. Kelly, I. Klein, J. Jack, B. James.

Bottom row, left to right: R. Miller, R. Laudeman, D. Hill, G. Loehmer, B. Hruskovich, J. Miller, J. Patterson, J. Kushnich, E. Quaife.

In the horizon we see a group of Indians, who are gathered around a bonfire, smoking their peace pipes. As the medicine man arises, he is enveloped in the smoke. As we stare into the smoke, the figures of the savages seem to change slowly into the members of the Class of 1945 as they will be in the year 1955.

Many of this class have reached the height of their ambition. Of course, there are others who have not been so fortunate.

Well, "Rattle Your Bones with Bobby Jones", the great rival of Sammy Kaye, has now as his featured players, Eugene (Harpo) Farrenkopf, Frank (Groucho) Gard, and James (Curly) Frentriss.

What's this, an accident? a fire? a fight? No, but now we know why the ambulances have worn their tires to a frazzle. It's because the girls have trampled each other trying to get a glimpse of Kenneth "The Throat" Throgmorton. But there is one lovely damsel whose heart does not quicken at the sound of his voice and that is Alyce Boecker, who tends faithfully to her husband, Admiral Jerry Teutemacher, and she's constantly guarding their small convoy of three little yeomen.

Professor George Boersma has just received his master's degree and is now the head of the noted Northwestern Abnormal College of Men.

Art Brophy has now developed quite a bay window since he has been employed as chief sampler at the Garlic and Onion Quantity Output Co., owned by Tom Smith. We can remember the day when the sight of "Mush" drew the attention of many girls. Now he wonders why the girls run for the nearest exit. Not even his best friends will tell him.

Ray Pinerski hasn't changed much, even as a general in the army, since he is now in the hospital, attended by Lt. Vivian Fugate. He has sprained his neck while inspecting WAC recruits, one of which was Ellen Upchurch.

Ah! Esquire has topped its sales since they have made Virginia Carahoff their offical cover girl.

Dolores Dumbsky, the one and only redhead of the class, has turned to a brunette, because she insisted that her hair match her new convertible car, which was given to her by one of her new admirers.

Ned Smith is conducting a Gallup Poll to determine which is the favorite flavor of lipstick. Of course "Smitty" insists he be the only judge. Line forms to the right, girls.

At last Joe Louis is defeated by the heavy weight, Martin Hoernig. Of course, the fact that Tom Hilbrich, Martin's trainer, put a few horse shoes in Martin's gloves had nothing to do with his victory.

Louella Parson's column of June 1, 1955, has just announced the surprising engagement of Bill "Van Johnson" Ellison and his leading lady, Evelyn "Bombshell" Drangmeister. Their romance began in the famous motion picture, "The Love Affair of Minnie Mouse."

Wouldn't you know, Bob Hagge is producing the Hagge Follies of 1955. His main stars are Mary Popa and Vera Hill.

Ah! A change of scene. We see a roomy and comfortable guard house. Pvt. Doris Rieplinger of the WACS is the sole inhabitant, because she dared to tell Sgt. Rita Thiel her slip was showing.

The headlines of the New York Bazooka, edited by Thelma Gettler, tells the story of Anna Popa's discovery of a new high explosive, while trying to boil some water.

Be prepared for a shock! Pilot Ron

Dumbsky "The Woman Hater", was seen winking at airline hostess, Lillian Thiery.

Edith Schaafsma is the current winner of the Nobel Prize for her book, "Modern Ways of Winning a Man", or "Forget the Handkerchief, Girls, Try the Lassoing Method".

What is this, a ministrel show? No, I guess it is just beauty operator, Helen Schobel, giving million heiress, Virginia Schoenbeck, a mud pack.

Joseph Carbon is now giving lessons to Richard Miterko and Joe Gernardo on how to acquire "Superman" muscles, in ten easy lessons.

Nick Little has succeeded in surpassing Tommy Manville's record of marrying seven wives. Nick has just divorced his twelvth wife and has been reconciled with his fifth.

The parts of the Katzenjammer Kids on the radio are taken by Don Keilman and Don Stark. The show is sponsored by Boob, which spelled backwards, spells Boob.

Francis Dewes is now famous because of his unusual bass voice in the opera "Carmen."

1-2-3-4 up-down! Therese Halfman is now instructing women how to reduce.

Scotland Yard has now asked the aid of our noted American detective, Mildred Busse, who was made famous by capturing the notorious criminal, Jack, alias, "Pretty Boy" Crawford, and his alluring gun moll, Genny, "Gypsy Rose Lee", Holom.

Lorraine Hoffman and Joan Kwitowski have used their brilliant minds in their discovery of the new liquid dentitrice, "Reel", which doesn't make teeth sparkle, but it has a wonderful foam and it contains no abrasives—so they say.

The one sorrowful event brought tears to the eyes of many, was the defeat of Mr. Roscoe Protsman, who was running for President of the United States. But you see Truman was running for his sixth term.

The scenes are getting hazy now and the figures of the Indians reappear. Besides, there is no more tobacco to put into the peace pipe.

Activities

COMET STAFF

The Comet Staff found they had a whale of a job in cutting stencils, writing columns, and printing current events, to hold the interests of Dyer High School students. There were catastrophies, but nevertheless, everyone must give due credit to those who so faithfully brought you th's paper.

Editor-in-Chief	Alyce Boecker
Ass't Editor	Rosella Bohney
General News Editor	Lillian Thiery
Social Editors	Norma Keilman Anita Dahlke
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Staff Typists	Edith Schaafsma Therese Halfman
Business Manager	Jim Frentress
Printers	Ned Smith Joe Sarbon Ray Pinerski
Faculty Advisor	M'ss Firme

SALESMEN

Seniors	Don Stark
Juniors	Lois Keilman Dick Kelly
Sophomores	Dale Heacock Dan Voich
Freshmen	Marion Fugate Marco Voich

Rosella Bohney
Alice Boeker
Miss Firme

By rows, top to bottom—1st row: T. Hilbrich, J. Crawford, J. Frentress, T. Halfman, L. Thiery. — Second row: D. Keilman, A. Dahlke, E. Schaafsma. — Third row: K. Throgmorton, N. Smith, N. Keilman. — Fourth row: A. Brophy, J. Sarbon, T. Smith, E. Upchurch, V. Miterko. — Fifth row: N. Little, R. Dumbsky, R. Pinerski, T. Gettler, B. Jewett.

Top row: Dale Heacock, Marco Voich, Dan Voich, Dick Kelly.

Bottom row: Marion Fugate, Lois Keilman.

THE 1945 ECHO STAFF

Meet the producers of the book you are seeing. If, by chance, you have read this far, you may stop to wonder why we are here. To be candid, we are proud of our 1945 ECHO, the book that was produced under trying inconveniences, and we boastfully monopolize these two pages to show you who we are, who persevered through the task. We're not complaining about priorities, rationing, shortage of help and other circumstances that are a part of this war. We bury all of our worries in the happy outcome,—the fact that we have the treasured story of our school year in wartime. Different, isn't it! And really, we're not the worse for the year's wear.

TOM HILBRICH
ART BROPHY
NICK LITTLE

ROSCOE E. PROTSMAN
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Top picture, K. Throgmorton, A. Boecker, R. Dumbsky, M. Busse, F. Gard.

Middle picture, Seated: T. Gettler, E. Upchurch. Standing: L. Thiery, W. Ellison.

Bottom picture, seated: V. Fugate, V. Hill, V. Carahoff. Standing: T. Halfman, J. Sarbon, G Boersma, F. Dewes, D. Dumbsky.

JOURNALISM CLUB

The Journalism club is made up exclusively of members of the Comet Staff. The Club, organized in November, 1944, has enjoyed several evenings of hilarity. Highlights were a potluck dinner held in the Home Ec. room and a banquet at Teibel's Restaurant.

1st row, left to right: S. Upchurch, E. Upchurch, R. Bohney, L. Keilman, N. Keilman, B. Jewett, L. Thiery.
2nd row, left to right: E. Schaafsma, T. Gettler, Miss Hruskovich, Sponsor, A. Boecker, T. Halfman, P. Hagge.
3rd row, left to right: T. Smith, D. Kelly, D. Heacock, N. Smith, J. Crawford, J. Sarbon.
4th row, left to right: M. Voich, D. Keilman, D. Stark, D. Voich, R. Pinerski, J. Frentriss.

COMMERCIAL CLUB

The Commercial Club consists of members of the commercial group who have won certain awards in their particular lines of study. The main purpose of the Commercial Club is to further one's knowledge of the activities connected with business life. To break the grind of the hard work required of this group, several enjoyable trips to Chicago were made by the club.

1st row, left to right: E. Upchurch, D. Dumbsky, J. Kwiatkowski, L. Thiery, V. Fugate, T. Halfman, M. Busse.
2nd row, left to right: D. Hauer, A. Boecker, T. Gettler, E. Schaafsma, B. Phillips, L. Hoffman, Miss Husted, sponsor, M. Popa, L. Keilman, E. Drangmeister, V. Schoenbeck, A. Popa.
3rd row, left to right: V. Hill, M. Davis, M. Dumbsky, J. Frentriss, C. Croner, R. Miterko, R. Hagge, G. Boersma, F. Gard, V. Carahoff, B. Jewett, R. Thiel

BAND

First row, left to right: R. Hill, F. Croner, V. Hovey, J. Frentress, R. Seberger, M. Fagen, D. Fagen, A. Roberts.

Second row, left to right: M. Temple, P. Hartley, S. Wilson, J. Harris, K. Smallwood, N. Stark, C. Quaife, E. Rasheta.

Third row, left to right: E. Farrenkopf, W. Gard, W. Winters, G. Sohl, E. Davis, C. Upchurch, M. Firme, sponsor.

BATON TWIRLERS

C. Rosinko, Helen Smallwood, Mary Budack.

LEFT TO RIGHT
TOM HILBRICH
NICK LITTLE
JOE SARBON
JACK CRAWFORD
DON KEILMAN
TOM SMITH
RON DUMBSKY

ATHLETICS

Top row, left to right: D. Voich, B. Hilbrich, N. Little, Coach B. Weaverling, A. Brophy, T. Hilbrich, R. Pinerski.

Bottom row, left to right: B. Ellison, N. Smith, Mgr. J. Sarbon, D. Kelly, R. Miterko.

BASKETBALL

Although the fellows had an in and out season, there was much improvement shown over the last few years. Due to Coach Weaverling's diligent efforts with the team, he managed to make up a fairly successful combination, despite the fact that selective service soon began cutting in. Nick Little was the first to leave and since he was one of the strong players, it was difficult to replace him. After the new year had begun several other boys left and only five players from the original varsity remained. However, the fellows that still played kept on trying, and as the basketball campaign drew to an end, the team retained its fighting spirit till the final game was finished. Even though our team did not win all its games, it deserves a swell hand for carrying through a season under so many difficult conditions.

Top row, left to right: B. Howard, S. Redar, Coach, B. Weaverling, G. Eberly, B. Delp, F. Paulauski.

Bottom row, left to right: J. Crawford, A. Davenport, Mgr. J. Turpin, P. Keilman, H. Miller.

2ND TEAM BASKETBALL

Our second team last season suffered many hardships, as did the first team, but still played exceptional basketball. And though beaten occasionally, the boys took those setbacks in grand spirits. They will lose three of their men by next season, two of them to the armed forces. With their remaining team members, we look to them for leadership in sports; and we sincerely believe they will do a very good job in their new positions of making up the first string.

NED SMITH

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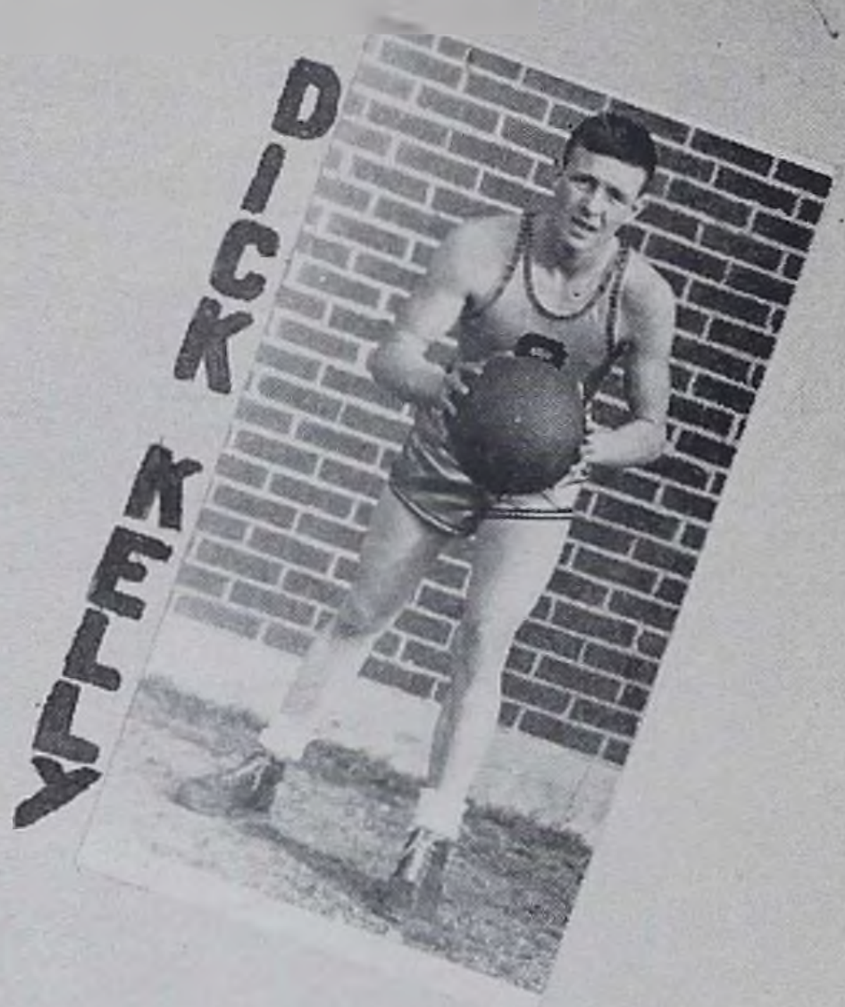

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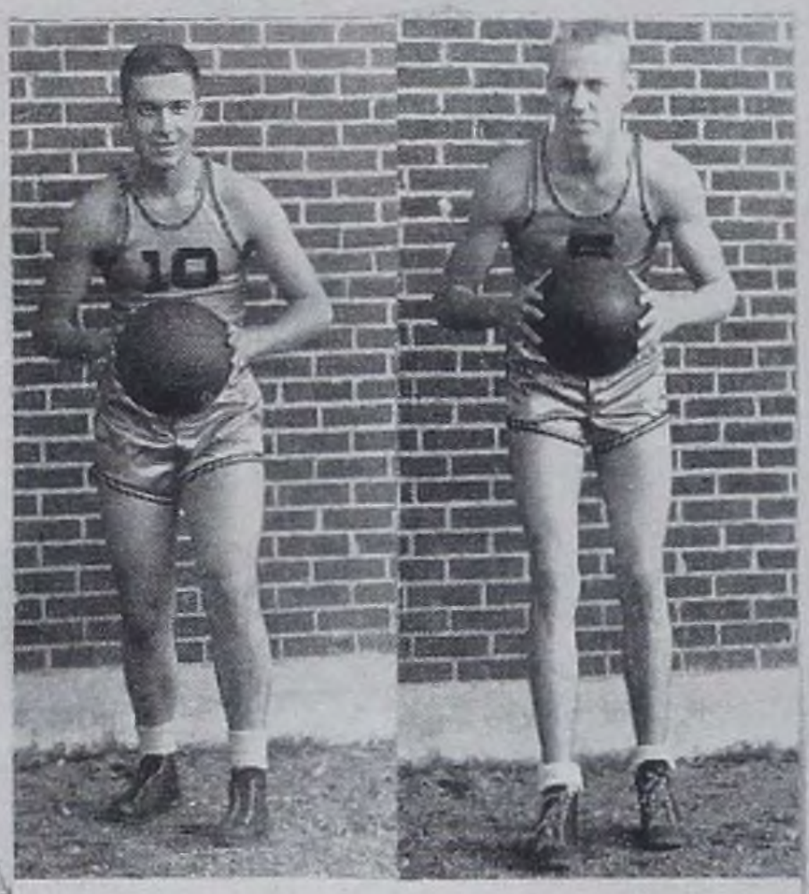

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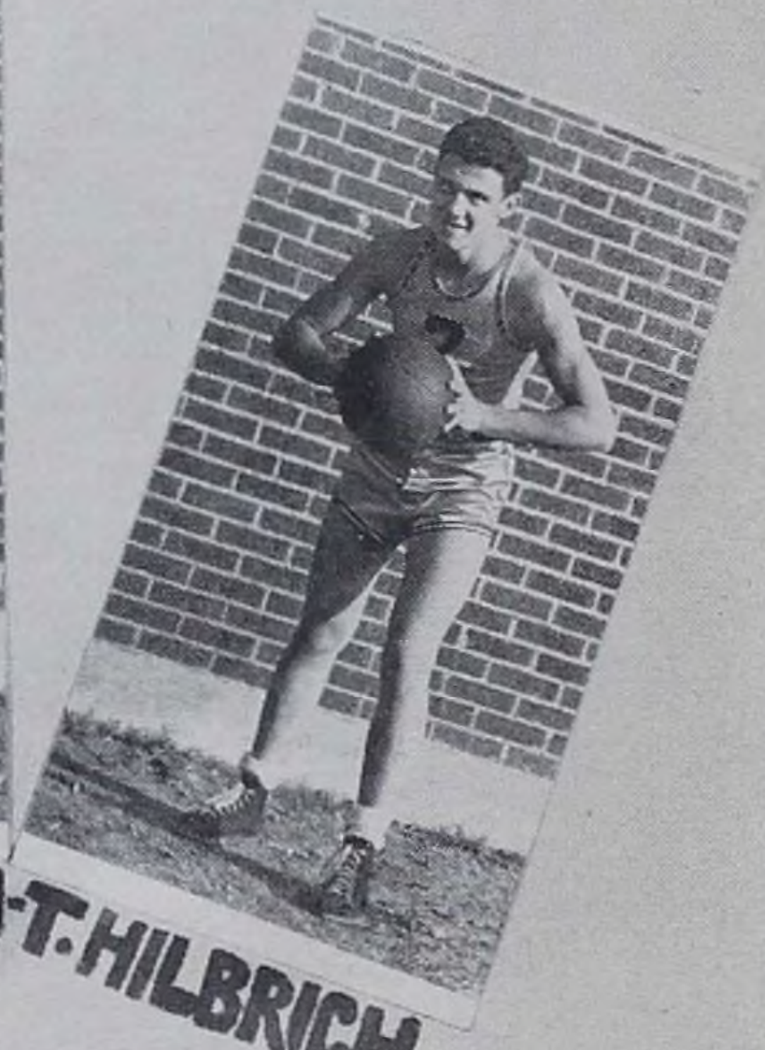

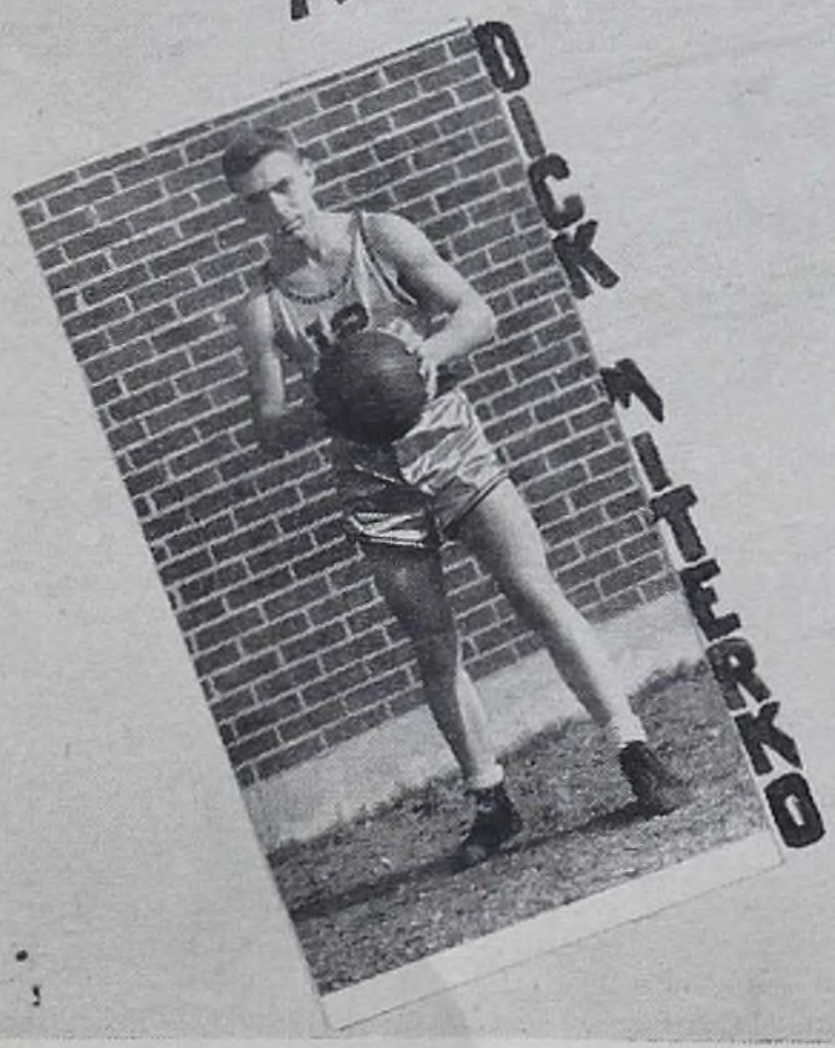

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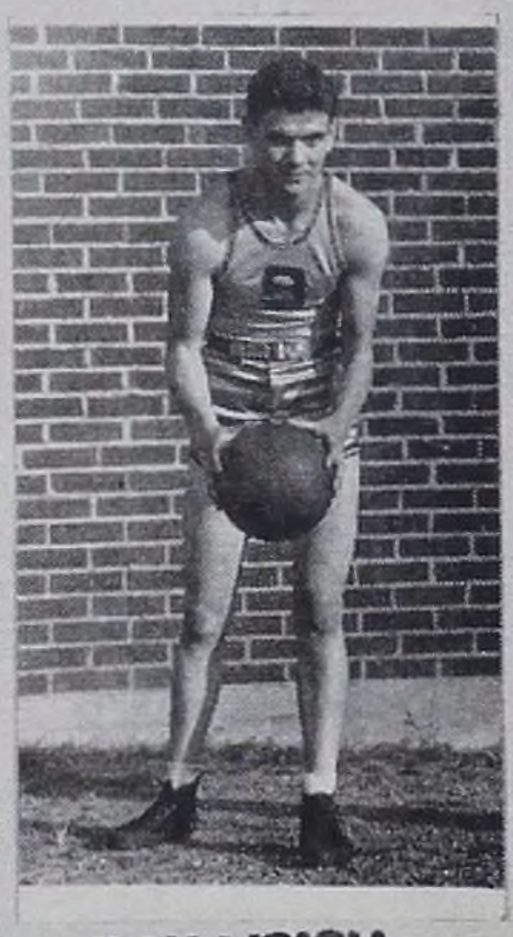
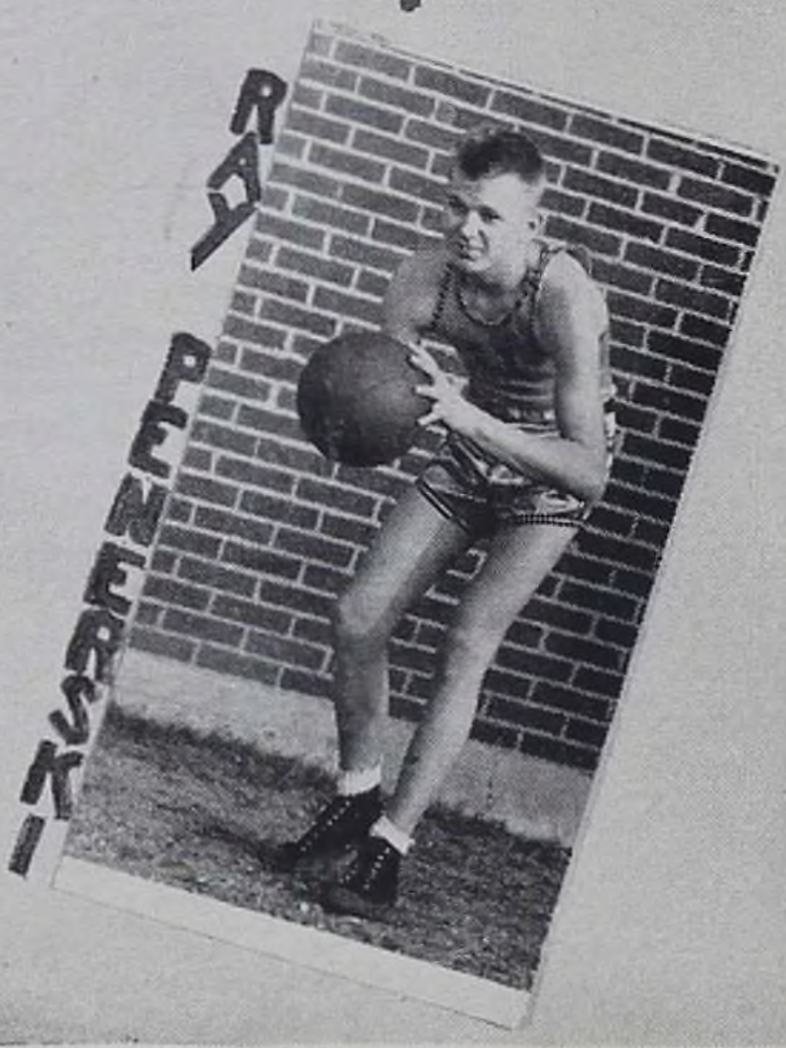


DAN VOICH



RAY PLENKOVICH

Top row, left to right: J. Scheisser, E. Schmidt, B. Hilbrich, G. Eeberly, J. Maginot, B. Howard, A. Brophy.

Bottom row, left to right: H. Miller, D. Kelly, N. Little, N. Smith, S. Redar.

BASEBALL

When Coach Weaverling called for baseball candidates last fall, he was well pleased with the results. More than twenty-five fellows were out to compete for positions on the varsity nine. Quite a few underclassmen made their appearance, and to the surprise of many, some got starting positions. Although there were several defeats mixed in with the victories, the fellows came through in many instances to provide that D. H. S. still had some of the spirit that brought her so much fame on the ball diamond in former years.

GOLF

The members of Dyer's golf team of '45 were Bob Hagge, Dan Voich, Joe Genardo, and Marco Voich. Due to the absence of Joe Genardo, who entered the armed forces early in the season, a sophomore, Eugene Neyhart, filled the gap perfectly. The line-up was hard to duplicate anywhere.

Hagge and Dan Voich anchored the team without too much difficulty, and Neyhart and Marco Voich as a supporting cast, seemed to really come through when the chips were down. Dyer carried a substitute list of three—Billy Howard, Gerald Austgen, and Joe Kushnak, respectively. All these boys had a quite ample supply of golfing experience. Hagge, a four-striper, has lived on a golf course most of his life, and Voich, also a letterman, has also enjoyed the links for many years.

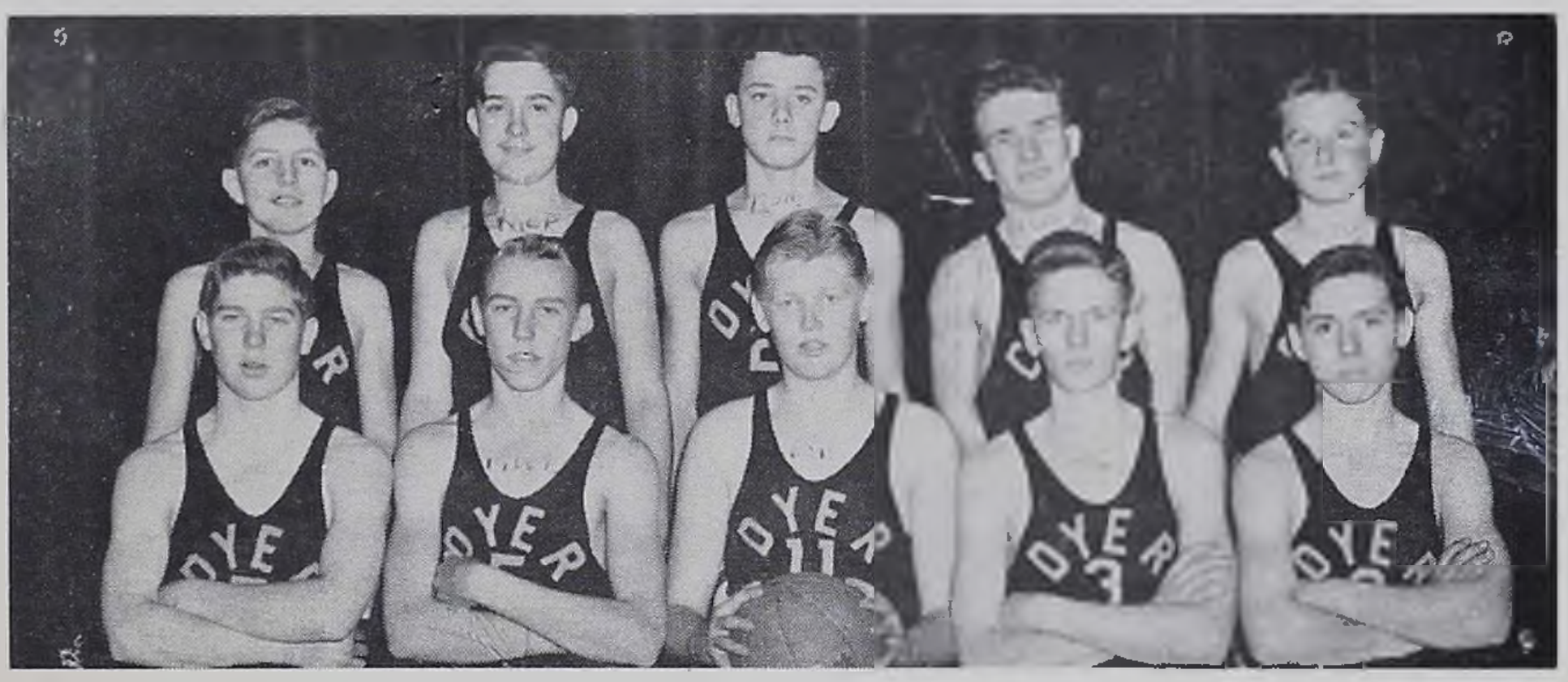
Dyer's solid golf teams are a tradition and we know this year's team was another step higher on that ladder of glory.

Left to right: T. Smith, J. Genardo, N. Smith, A. Brophy, N. Little, T. Hilbrich, W. Ellison, R. Hagge.

SWEATERMEN

These boys make up the exclusive group who have earned their athletic award sweaters. Only fellows in their Senior year of high school are eligible to this honor. In order to deserve a sweater, a boy must earn at least two major letters in the established sports. These Senior members were the nucleus of the Boy's Lettermen's Club, and through their work they made this organization one of the most active in school.

FRESHMAN TEAM OF 1942



SENIOR GIRLS

Front row, left to right: L. Thiery, J. Kwiatkowski, M. Busse, R. Thiel, E. Upchurch.
Back row, left to right: G. Holom, D. Reiplinger, A Popa, L. Hoffman, A. Boecker, T. Halfman.

JUNIOR GIRLS

Front row, left to right: R. Bohney, O. Franzle, M. Sweet, D. Hauer, S. Dumbsky.
Back row, left to right: B. Hilbrich, M. Dumbsky, B. Schweitzer, B. Phillips, L. Keilman.

This year the girls of the Junior and Senior classes seemed to monopolize the championships of the interclass sports. Of course, it is expected, but has not always happened so. The Junior girls took the final in basketball, while the Senior girls conquered the Junior girls in softball.

SENIOR BOYS

Top row, left to right: J. Frentress, A. Brophy, B. Ellison, T. Hilbrich, R. Pinerski.
Bottom row, left to right: J. Sarbon, J. Crawford, F. Gard, N. Smith, R. Miterko.

SOPHOMORE BOYS

Top row, left to right: E. Nyehart, J. Rauh, J. Maginot, D. Voich, D. Heacock.
Bottom row, left to right: G. Eberly, G. Hanson, B. Howard, J. Schiesser, E. Dewes.

As in former years, the boys' inter-class tourney proved to be the most exciting occasion of the year. The strong feeling of loyalty to the different classes brought on an intense rivalry. The Sophomore boys' softball team pulled the surprise of the season when they upset the Senior team and went on to win the final game with the Junior boys. However, the upper-classmen were waiting when the basketball play offs came and each class won their first game. Although the Junior boys put up a swell fight, they were over come by a strong and determined Senior team. Incidentally, this was the second year in a row that the class of '45 has taken the championship.

Last Will and Testament

We, the honorable and active graduates of nineteen hundred and forty five, being of sound body, both mentally and materially, as one unit declare this our Last Will and Testament. And we hereby annul all other wills heretofore made by us. That is to say:

To Mr. Hunt, we bequeath our sorrow for anything we have done that might hasten the gray hair or tire the mind.

To Mr. Protsman, our gratitude for having helped us in every way possible to become the successful class that we are.

To our faculty, our sincere appreciation and thanks for their untiring, or tiring, efforts to guide us through the difficult paths of knowledge.

Our remaining personal belongings we bequeath as follows:

I, Alyce Boecker, as generous as usual, do will my ability to stick to one man to Betty Hilbrich.

We, Clarence Croner and James Frentress, in our first serious moment, do will our harmonized giggles to Ronald Clark and Eugene Rasheta.

We, Kenneth Throgmorton and Joe Sarbon, seeming to have all of our marbles, do will to Lois Craven and Ralph Hill our vocal cords and old song sheets.

I, Thelma Gettler, rather reluctantly, do will my job as sub-grade teacher to Bill Anderson.

I, Therese Halfman, no longer having any use for it, do will my basketball whistle to Pat Shinnick, who I know will use it wisely.

We, Genevieve Holom, Joan Kwiatowski, Doris Reiplinger and Ann Popa, otherwise known as the "Windy Four", do will our scraps and riots to Germaine Klein, Doris Fagen, Jeanette Roberts, and Ruth Funk.

I, Robert Jones, still as loyal as always, do will Marcelline Askins to Nobody.

I, Edith Schaafsma, wishing to be of aid to someone, do will my quarrels and patch-ups with my sweetheart to Mickey Miller.

I, George Boersma, in a helpful state of mind, bequeath to Francis Thiel my political views, provided he uses them to the best advantage.

I, Mary Popa, being of sound mind, do will my ability to get straight A's to Maxine Sweet.

I, Virginia Carahoff, in a confused state of mind, gladly will my trim figure to Mr. Smallwood.

We, Jack Crawford and Richard Miterko, after combining our cars, do will one dilapidated heap to Chuck Burton.

I, Ray Pinerski, finding myself disgusted and close to nervous collapse, give Bill Anderson and Chuck Burton 25 dollars if they will take this over run car from my sight.

We, Art Brophy, Tom Hilbrich, and Nick Little, The Gleesome Threesome, as giddy as ever, do will our corny jokes and class riots to anyone who doesn't like to see a teacher have dull moments.

I, Don Keilman, feeling very original, do will my unnecessary remarks to Mildred Stolzenbach.

I, Frank Gard, knowing myself to be sane, do will my knowledge of finances which I have gathered from past experience, to Barbara Phillips.

I, Bill Ellison, almost positive of my sanity, and hoping to someday have a real basketball team at Dyer, leave my basketball technique to Wilfred Hoernig.

I, Martin Hoernig, feeling capable of saying my last words, do will to Dick Kelly my favorable comments from Miss Arrigoni.

I, Lorraine Hoffman, very aware of what I am saying, do will my job of carrying on everybody's business transactions on my way home at noon when the weather is cold, to Margaret Dumbsky.

I, Dolores Dumbsky, feeling as sane as I think I ever will be, do will, to Martha Davis, her choice of any of my pet phrases which follows: "Loves that man", "I love my wife but oh you kid", "What is life without a wife", and "Here I am without a man".

I, Francis Dewes, in a generous mood do will all of my absentee slips marked unexcused to Dorothy Schiessle.

I, Evelyn Drangmeister, very willingly, give my barber shears and short hair cuts to Rosella Bohney.

I, Eugene Farrenkopf, trying to be thrifty in every possible way, do will all my old gnawed off clarinet reeds to Lawrence Rinkenberger, and if the horn doesn't play when you use them, I find that they make excellent toothpicks.

I, Helen Schoebel, unable to discover the state of mind I'm in, do will all my shorthand books and bitten off fingernails which you'll find in the commercial room, to Betty Jane Teibel.

I, Virginia Schoenbeck, in sane mind, do will my glasses, which I no longer have use for, to William Gard.

I, Ned Smith, somehow doubting my sanity, do will Gerald Hovey my blushing moments.

I, Mildred Busse, in a questionable state of mind, do will my ability to do the splits to Olga Franzle.

I, Vera Hill, quite aware of what I'm doing, do will all my old romances to Betty Rose.

I, Rita Theil, in a very generous mood, do will my job at the store to Ray Gallas.

I, Tom Smith, in a most brilliant mood, do will my freckles to Beverly Jewett.

I, Vivian Fugate, not sure of anything anymore, do will all of my worries at the sanitarium to Betty Schweitzer.

I, Bob Hagge, in a worn out and frayed mood, do will all my high school worries and bad memories to Dolores Hauer.

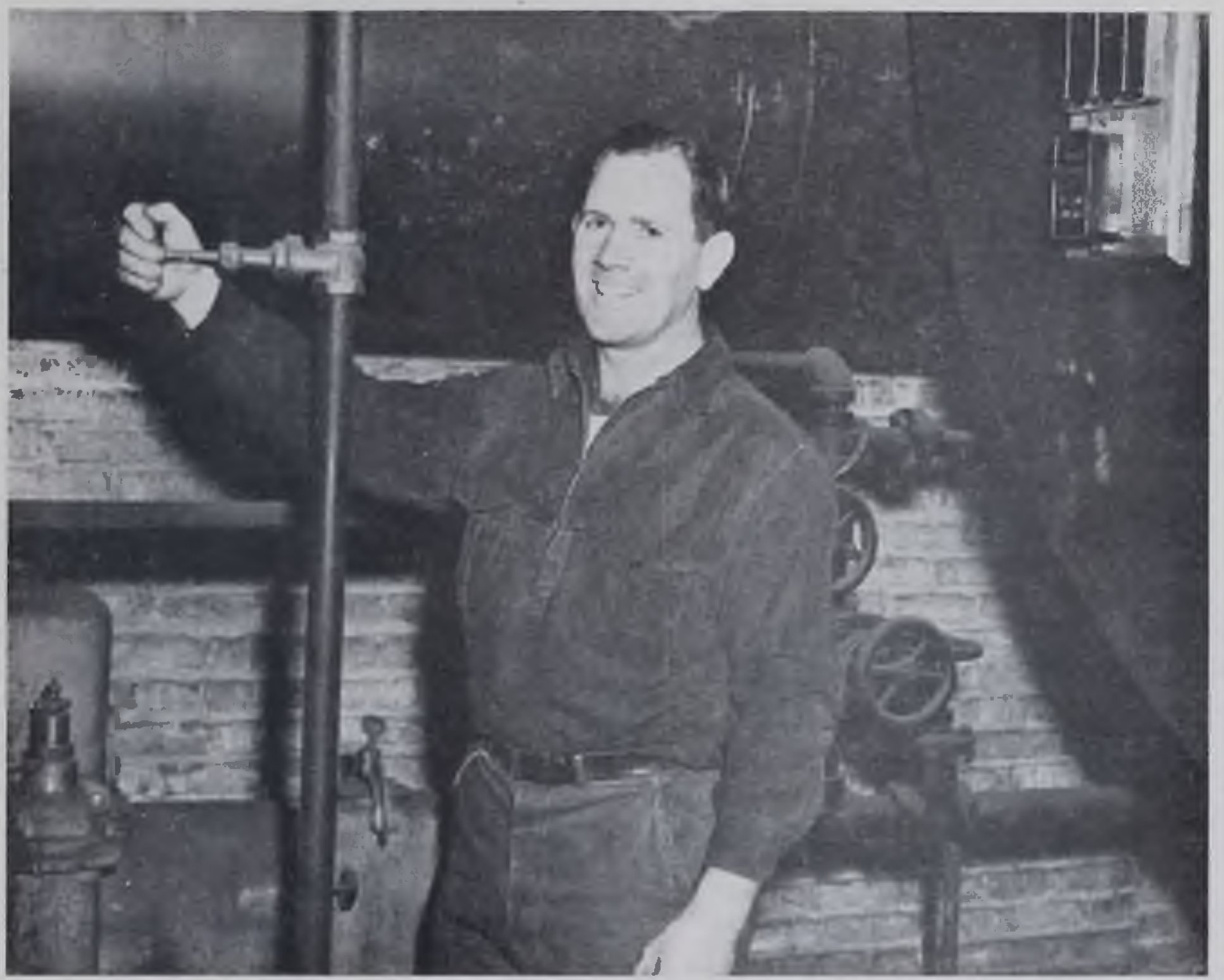
I, Don Stark, very aware of my brilliance and quick understanding, do will my high school grades and career to Paul Keilman.

I, Joe Gernardo, in a very helpful and patriotic mood, do will my ability to get thirteen people in one car to Dan Symborski.

We, Lillian Thiery and Ellen Upchurch, bewildered, tired, and needy of assistance, do will all our worries of writing this to anyone who may be given the job next year.

TEACHER

MAINTENANCE



TRANSPORTATION

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1944-45

SEPTEMBER

5 ——Opening day of school—Miss Arrigoni only new teacher.
15——First baseball game of the season with Merrillville.
20——Baseball game at Merrillville.
29——Baseball game with Edison.

OCTOBER

2 ——Baseball game with Edison—ending the season.
5-6——Girl's softball tournaments — Seniors won.
9-10—Boys softball tournaments — Sophomores taking the title.
11——First Teen-age Dance—Supervised by P. T. A.
13——Dance given by Junior Class.
17——Organization of the Student Council.
18——Hayride given by Millie Busse.
20——Freshmen threw their first party.
23——Senior Weinie roast.
24——Noon dance—fund raised for band uniforms.
25——Lettermen's dance.
26-27—Temporary vacation—Teachers' Convention.
30——Reorganization of the Journalism Club.
31——Annual Hallowe'en Party—by Dyer Civic Club.

NOVEMBER

7 ——Noon dance given by the band.
17——Basketball season opened — game with Alumni.
22——Basketball game with Gary Edison.
23——Thanksgiving.
29——Commercial Club took a trip to Chicago.

DECEMBER

1 ——Basketball game with Wirt.
8 ——Game at Griffith.
10——Farewell party in honor of Nick Little.
13——Played basketball game with East Gary.
15——Another game—at Crete.
20——Dance — Vessy Redar and Shirley Dumbsky elected Christmas King and Queen of D. H. S.
21——Senior dinner.
22——Christmas play — Senior graduation pictures arrive, and the beginning of a ten-day vacation.
28——Another Teen-age Dance.
29-30—Crown Point basketball tournaments.

JANUARY

3 ——Sophomore sweaters arrive.
5 ——Basketball with Portage.
10——Play Griffith here.
12——Juniors rings came—game with Crete.
15——Junior and Senior Banquet.
16——A game with Wirt followed by a Junior Dance.
19——Team played Merrillville.
22——I. Q. test given to Freshies.
23——Beginning of class tournaments.
24——Finals—Senior boys and Junior girls victorious—followed by a Senior dance.
26——Basketball game at Gary Edison.
29——Party given for Senior boys leaving for the services.
30——Game with Lowell.

FEBRUARY

3 ——Team played Crown Point here.
9 ——Basketball game with Beecher-dance given by Seniors.
12——Spelling test given.
13——Return game with Beecher.
14——Valentines Day.
15——D. H. S. has radio program over WJOB —dinner given in honor of basketball team. Never again will I eat so much.
16——Last basketball game, with Wheeler. We won.
17——2 A. M. Don Keilman leaves for Navy.
22-24—Sectional tournaments.
27——Coast Guard needs good men. Don Stark left today.

MARCH

1——Echo goes to press.
5——Letterman sweaters arrive.
17——St. Patrick's Day.
25——Mr. Hunt's birthday.
30——Good Friday.

APRIL

1——Easter
4——Senior Hobo Day. (Just one day?)
10——Sophomore Class party. We hope.
24——Freshmen Party.
30——Three months ago today, Ellison Miterko, Genardo, and Hoernig left for service.

MAY

5——Track Meet.
11——Golf tournament. Examinations. Seniors omitted.
13——Baccalaureate
16——Commencement exercises.
18——Last day of school.

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Louis Boecker
Mr. and Mrs. George Boersma
Mrs. Barbara Brophy
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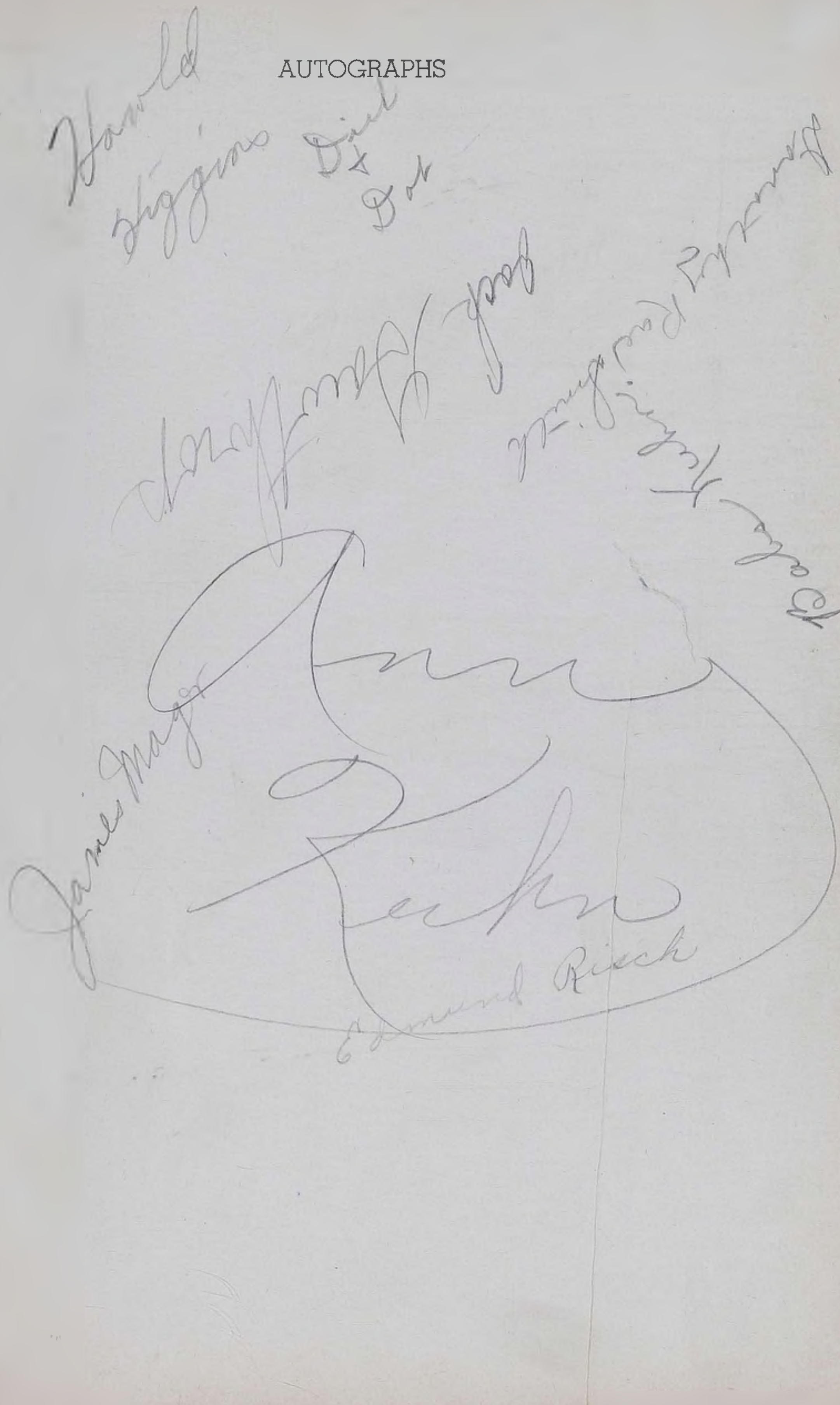
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